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AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The final Office action dated September 9, 2003, and the references cited have been fully considered. In response, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Reconsideration and/or further prosecution of the application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.